

**CHAPTER 340**

**(Senate Bill 89)**

AN ACT concerning

**Consumer Protection - "Lemon Law" - Required Notice**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop a notice that describes the rights provided to consumers under the Maryland Automotive Warranty Enforcement Act; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to make the notice available to dealers that sell new motor vehicles in the State; specifying the manner in which the notice is to be written and certain contents of the notice; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations to implement this Act; requiring certain dealers to provide a copy of the notice to purchasers of new motor vehicles at a certain time; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to consult with the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General in developing the consumer notice; and generally relating to providing notice of the rights and remedies available under the Maryland Automotive Warranty Enforcement Act.

BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law

Section 14-1502.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Commercial Law**

14-1502.1.

(A) THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION SHALL:

(1) DEVELOP A NOTICE THAT DESCRIBES THE RIGHTS PROVIDED TO CONSUMERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) MAKE THE NOTICE AVAILABLE TO ALL DEALERS THAT SELL NEW MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE STATE; AND

(3) ADOPT REGULATIONS AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(B) THE NOTICE SHALL:

(1) BE WRITTEN IN SIMPLE AND READABLE PLAIN LANGUAGE; AND

(2) CONTAIN SUFFICIENT DETAIL TO FULLY INFORM CONSUMERS ABOUT THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES AVAILABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND THE PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW TO ENFORCE THOSE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.